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DONOVAN DOES IT AGAIN

James B. Donovan, who sprung the 1,100-plus Bay of Pigs survivors from F. Castro's prison hellholes, has repeated that feat, though on a much smaller scale.

The New York attorney this time has obtained release by Castro of nine American skindivers who came ashore in Cuba Feb. 12 from a sunk boat and had been prisoners ever since.

Don't these achievements suggest a truly heroic use that President Kennedy might make of Donovan?

Can He Dislodge Those Russians?

There are still an estimated 12,000 or 13,000 Russian fighting men in Cuba. Khrushchev has wobbled on his promise to get a lot of them out of there by mid-March. The President apparently lacks the nerve to put a real squeeze on them by means of an air-sea blockade or any other effective measures.

So why not call in Donovan, and put him to work at getting the Russians off Cuba? He may be just the man for the job which JFK either can't or won't tackle.

Of course, Donovan might have to agree to pay Khrushchev a generous bribe to pull his men home. But the nation endured the humiliation of the huge ransom paid for the Bay of Pigs survivors, and hence should be conditioned by now to such groveling before Khrushchev by this Administration.